

TOWN OF HERNDON

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KEEP COOL THIS SUMMER – WATER CONSERVATION TIPS FROM THE TOWN OF HERNDON

Herndon, VA (July 7, 2009) – The Town of Herndon’s Department of Public Works (DPW) urges citizens to conserve water and keep streams and other waterways clean during the summer months by offering the following tips:

- Wash cars on lawns or other unpaved surfaces to minimize the amount of dirty, soapy water flowing directly into storm drains. OR use commercial car washes, at which water is typically recycled or flows into the sanitary sewer system to be treated.
- Check boats, motorcycles and other equipment for leaks and spills. When it rains, leaking liquids may wash down storm drains and into streams. Clean any spilled liquids with absorbent materials such as sand or kitty litter and dispose of in trash.
- Don’t over-water lawns. Water during the cooler morning or evening hours, and don’t let water run off into storm drains.
- Sweep up yard debris, rather than hosing them down. Compost or recycle yard waste when possible.
- Select native plants and grasses that are drought and pest-resistant, reducing the need for excess water, fertilizer or pesticides.

For more information, see www.herndon-va.gov, “Featured this Month” on the homepage.

The Town of Herndon was incorporated by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia on January 14, 1879. Located in western Fairfax County, Herndon is the 3rd largest town in the Commonwealth and is home to more than 23,000 citizens. Businesses located within the Town of Herndon, which range from high tech enterprises to entrepreneurially-owned establishments, employ approximately 25,000 people. *Business Week* Magazine has named Herndon one of the nation’s “Best Affordable Suburbs.”

For more information, visit the town’s Web site at www.herndon-va.gov.

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